TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1232 - SB 1231

March 8, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (004818): Authorizes a local board of education to contract with a private college or university accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges that has its primary campus domiciled in this state for the college or university to maintain a training school for grades pre-kindergarten through twelve (pre-K-12) to provide practice teaching experience for teachers in training. Authorizes a college or university that has entered into a contract with a local board of education pursuant to this section to receive all state and federal funds received by the local board of education as a result of this contract, including TISA allocations and any other funds that may be allocated for the operation of public schools of this state.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

Other Fiscal Impact – Local boards of education may incur permissive increases in local expenditures. However, based on multiple unknown variables, a precise fiscal impact cannot be reasonably determined.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-8-105 authorizes any state college or university under the direction of the Tennessee Board of Regents or a state university board to maintain a training school for grades pre-K-12 for the purpose of providing practice teaching experience for teachers in training.
- The proposed legislation increases access to teacher training programs by authorizing a local board of education to contract with private colleges and universities to provide practice teaching experience for teachers in training.
- It is assumed that the cost for private colleges and universities to open and maintain a training school will be reflected in a prospective contract between local boards of education and private colleges and universities.
- It is unknown how many local boards of education will seek to contract with private colleges and universities to provide teacher training programs, but any such contracts may result in a permissive increase in local expenditures. However, based on multiple unknown variables, a precise fiscal impact cannot be reasonably determined.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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